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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

In response to the Office action of September 22, 2005, please consider the following remarks. Applicants believe that a two month extension-of-time is required for this Amendment and Response to be entered and considered, and the necessary fees are included herewith. If any additional fees are required, please consider this to be conditional authorization to charge any additional related extension fees or other fees necessary for entry of this paper to Deposit Account No. 01-1700. Please make the following amendments, without prejudice, and consider the following remarks.

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